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has been appointed. When in this case qualified applicants were available, may I ask why the Government did not give necessary directions to the Services Commission to select candidates from this community? If the Government do not do so, may I ask why they should not scrap the communal Government Order altogether? "

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" The House is aware of the instructions of Government in the matter of communal representation. As the Hon. the Revenue Member stated the other day, it is certainly not possible for the Government to go on subdividing communities into infinitesimal fractions."

### Land Revenue Administration

*Extent of damage to Tanjore district due to cyclone.*

* 727 *Q.*—Mr. G. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the extent of damage caused by the recent cyclone in Tanjore district has been ascertained;

(*b*) whether the Government will be pleased to lay on the table of the House the report of the Collector of Tanjore about the damage and the remedies proposed by him;

(*c*) what the taluks are that have been affected by the cyclone;

(*d*) the following details with regard to each of the taluks that have been affected by the cyclone—

(i) the number of dwelling houses that have been damaged and the number of people that have been rendered homeless;

(ii) the number of fruit-bearing and taxable trees that have been damaged;

(iii) the number of other trees that have been damaged;

(iv) the extent of damage caused to livestock;

(v) the extent of damage caused to the standing crops in the fields; and

(*e*) the remedial measures that have been taken till now to grant relief to the ryots in the affected areas and also the measures of relief that are proposed to be given?

*A.*—A copy [a] of the detailed report of the Collector is laid on the table. The Government have no other information.

Mr. T. S. RAMASWAMI AYYAR:—" Sir, in the Collector's report which is printed as an appendix to the answer given by the Government it is stated:

'It is too soon now to say definitely about the extent of remission of revenue that may have to be granted. No appreciable damage was done by the cyclone to paddy or other crops and no special remission is called for.'

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on pages 616–619 infra.

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May I ask whether the Government have received any later report from the Collector regarding the damage done to paddy crops? Or have any representations been made to Government by individuals or associations pointing out the extent of the damage done to the paddy crop by the cyclone and stating that the crop has failed to a large extent and that what little was gathered contained more of chaff than paddy?"

The Hon. Sir CHARLES SOUTER:—" No, Sir."

Mr. T. S. RAMASWAMI AYYAR:—" May I ask whether any representation has been received from the Mirasidars' Association and if so, what orders the Government have passed thereon?"

The Hon. Sir CHARLES SOUTER:—" Representations have been received regarding a certain pest and they have been sent for report."

Mr. T. S. RAMASWAMI AYYAR:—" May I know whether the damage said to be caused by the pest is really the damage caused by the cyclone?"

The Hon. Sir CHARLES SOUTER:—" The Government have not sufficient information about it."

Mr. C. R. PARTHASARATHY AYYANGAR:—" With reference to what is contained in paragraph 6 of the Collector's Report, may I ask whether the Government have given any assistance to the owners of houses which fell in cyclone?"

The Hon. Sir CHARLES SOUTER:—" I have no further information than what is given in the answer."

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" May I ask whether any representations have been received from Hon. Members of this House representing the Tanjore district?"

The Hon. Sir CHARLES SOUTER:—" Not that I am aware of, Sir."

*Government Order for the demolition of the mosque at Repalle (Guntur district).*

* 728 *Q.*—S. M. K. BEYABANI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government have passed final orders to demolish the mosque at Repalle (Guntur) on the ground that it was built on poramboke land;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the then tahsildar granted permission to construct the mosque on the site in question as it was purely in the Muslim locality and that the panchayat board also by a majority of votes passed a resolution granting permission;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that five Muslim M.L.Cs. approached the Hon. the Revenue Member and fully represented the case and the Hon. Member promised to enquire into the matter at once; and

(*d*) on what grounds have the Government passed the above orders?